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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

John A. FEE et al.

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

Application Serial No.: 10/040,226

Examiner: Leung, Ch.

Filing Date: January 3, 2003

Group Art Unit: 2633

Customer No.: 25537

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For: VERIFICATION OF PATH INTEGRITY IN OPTICAL SWITCH NETWORK

Box AF, DIRECTOR OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

FEE CALCULATION	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREV. PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	86	MINUS	104	0	\$18	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	21	MINUS	23	0	\$86	\$ 0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of <u>July 7, 2004</u> to and through <u>September 7, 2004</u> , for an extension of:  <input type="checkbox"/> One month (\$110) <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (\$420) <input type="checkbox"/> Three months (\$950) <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (\$1480)						\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE:						\$ 0.00

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR § 1.27.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Payment of \$ \_\_\_ by Credit Card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 13-2491, including any filing fees under 37 CFR § 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17

I hereby certify that this correspondence and all correspondence identified as accompanying this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA, 22313-1450 on September 7, 2004.

  
Linda V. Wiley

Date: September 7, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action of July 7, 2004, please amend this application as follows.